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RE:

Application Serial No.

09/784,077

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For:

MURINE ALPHA (1,3) FUCOSYLTRANSFERASE

FUC-TVII, DNA ENCODING THE SAME, METHOD FOR PREPARING THE SAME, ANTIBODIES RECOGNIZING THE SAME, IMMUNOASSAYS FOR DETECTING THE SAME, PLASMIDS CONTAINING SUCH DNA, AND CELLS

CONTAINING SUCH A PLASMID

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Box Sequence

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our check in the amount of \$__\ is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER TO PTO

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Communication dated April 30, 2001, Applicants submit that a Statement that the content of the Sequence Listing recorded in the computer-readable Sequence Listing is identical to the paper Sequence Listing was submitted in the Preliminary Amendment filed on February 16, 2001. As evidence of this statement Applicants submit herewith a copy of said Preliminary Amendment. Particulary, Applicants point to the statement on page 5 which states "A Sequence Listing is attached. In lieu of a submission of a computer-readable Sequence Listing (CFR) in the present application, Applicants submit that the Office use the CFR submitted in the parent application, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/613,098, submitted on April 15, 1997. Applicants confirm that the sequence information submitted in the Sequence Listing submitted herewith is the same as in the CFR submitted in the parent application. No new matter has been added to this application by the submission of the Sequence Listing."

Applicants submit that the present application is ready for examination on the merits and early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

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